

DAVID HORN.

JUNE 2, 1898.—Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. BROMWELL, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

ADVERSE REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 4514.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 4514) granting an increase of pension to David Horn, have considered the same and respectfully report as follows:

The claimant was a private in Company C, First Ohio Volunteers, and served from May 30, 1846, to June 13, 1847, in the Mexican war. He was allowed the pension of \$8 per month provided by the act of January 29, 1887, and this was increased in 1895 to \$12 per month upon proving dependence and inability to earn a support by manual labor.

There has been no showing of exceptional distress or helplessness since the above allowances were made at the Pension Bureau, and your committee fail to find any good ground upon which to base a further increase of the pension by private act. The claimant's case is fairly representative of the class of Mexican war pensioners who now receive \$12 per month, and no proof has been filed which, in the judgment of your committee, would justify Congress in favoring him, to the exclusion of the considerable number who are similarly situated.

The bill is therefore returned with the recommendation that it do lie upon the table.